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SUBJECT: ARREST OF MAJOR NARCOTICS TRAFFICKER BY MFJP

1. ON AUGUST 7, MEXICAN FEDERAL JUDICIAL POLICE (MFJP) SEIZED 17 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE, THREE KILOGRAMS OF HEROIN, 20 GRAMS OF PHANOBARBITUAL, AND U. S. DOLS 13,000, AND ARRESTED NINE SUSPECTS AMONG THEM JORGE FAVELA ESCOBOSA. SEIZURES OCCURRED IN TIJUANA AND MEXICO CITY.

2. FAVELA HEADS A MAJOR TRAFFICKING ORGANIZATION. INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE MFJP INDICATES THAT HIS BROTHER, RAFAEL FAVELA, HAS TRANSPORTED FROM 15 TO 25 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE TO THE UNITED STATES EVERY FIFTEEN DAYS. THE MFJP HAS ISSUED A WARRANT FOR THE ARREST OF RAFAEL, WHO SHOULD BE ABLE TO IDENTIFY LARGE NUMBERS OF U.S. COCAINE AND HEROIN BUYERS WHO PURCHASED NARCOTICS FROM THE FAVELA ORGANIZATION.

3. THE COCAINE SEIZED ON AUGUST 7 REPORTEDLY ORIGINATED IN PERU AND WAS TRANSPORTED TO MEXICO USING COLOMBIAN AIRCRAFT. RAFAEL FAVELA ARRANGED PICK-UP WHEN THE PLANE LANDED AT THE FIRST CONVENIENT AIRSTRIP AND THEN ARRANGED

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FOR TRANSPORTATION FROM MEXICO TO CHICAGO USING VEHICLES

WITH FALSE COMPARTMENTS. THE MFJP HAS ALSO LEARNED THAT FOUR MILLION DOLLARS HAD BEEN TRANSFERRED FROM CHICAGO TO THE BANCO NATIONAL DE MEXICO IN TIJUANA IN THE NAME OF JORGE FAVELA. THE MFJP HAS ARRESTED THE BANK'S GENERAL CASHIER.

4. DEA IS COOPERATING CLOSELY WITH THE MFJP AND HAS REQUESTED VARIOUS DEA OFFICES IN THE UNITED STATES TO TRACK DOWN LEADS SUGGESTED BY THE MFJP.

5. IN AN AUGUST 10 EDITORIAL, QTE EXCELSIOR QTE PRAISES THE ARREST OF FAVELA AND NOTES THAT THE FIGHT AGAINST TRAFFICKERS MUST CONTINUE. QTE NO GOVERNMENT WITH A SENSE OF ITS OWN MISSION, QTE CONTINUES THE EDITORIAL, QTE CAN REMAIN INDIFFERENT WHEN ITS YOUTH ARE HELD LIKE PRISONERS... CLOSE QTE. EDITORIAL NEVER MENTIONS U. S. CONNECTION, INSTEAD PLAYING UP HAZARF OF DRUG USE QTE NOT ONLY TO THOSE ON THE ECONOMIC FRINGES BUT EVEN MORE SO TO THOSE WHO FOR FAMILY, MORAL OR SOCIAL REASONS QTE SEEK TO DESTROY THEMSELVES.
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